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Here's to 'the beginning of a mutually kinky connection'

Fetish art. Winnipeg artists are showing their erotic side at a Hollywood gallery

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A Hollywood exhibition showcasing Winnipeg artists is being billed as erotic art from the coldest city on Earth.

Winnipeg filmmaker Noam Gonick is the curator of WinniPig, which features 75 pieces by 26 artists, all of whom are current or former Winnipeggers.

The exhibition, which opened on June 1 and runs through June 23 at the Antebellum fetish-art gallery, is the second that Gonick has curated. His first was in Paris last year.

"This gallery is in a very funky old corner of Hollywood," Gonick said from Los Angeles, adding that it's situated beside designer-to-the-stars Marco Marco's boutique.

"Paris Hilton was there right as the show opened and the front of the gallery was swarming with paparazzi, 'cause she was trying to sneak out, so it was pretty hot."

Celebs aside, Gonick said the idea for the exhibition came from Antebellum owner Rick Castro.

"He was just picking my brain. He knew I'd done the show in Paris," Gonick said. "He's always been fascinated by Winnipeg and what could we do about a Winnipeg show at the Antebellum Gallery, so I just put one together in pretty short order."

Castro said he has met many Winnipeggers over the years and has ties to the Plug In Institute of Contemporary Art in downtown Winnipeg.

"I was interested in presenting artists from Canada, specifically Winnipeg," said Castro, who opened the gallery almost seven years ago.

"I see 'Peggers as having an original approach to art and perhaps to life. They don't take it seriously. They have fun, yet (are) professional and provocative. 'Peggers have a mutual bond and camaraderie that continues on, even when they leave their safe haven and venture into the world."

Gonick said critics have been positive about the show. "They were really wowed by the quality of the craftsmanship of the Winnipeg artists. There's a lot of just really beautifully crafted work. Two pieces sold on opening night."

Castro said he has yet to visit the city, but plans on coming soon.

"Antebellum is pleased to be the first gallery in Hollywood, perhaps California, to present Winnipeg art," he added. "I hope this is the beginning of a mutually kinky connection. Antebellum has a Winnipeg fetish. I will visit very soon. I am obsessed."

Though the exhibition is showing in Hollywood, a virtual gallery is posted at brendenfortescue.com/winnipig for the next six months.

This little piggy

What's in a name?

The name of the exhibition, WinniPig, comes from Noam Gonick's youth when, as a teenager, he hosted provocative American artist Lydia Lunch at a Plug In event.

"She took a beer bottle off the waitress's tray and winged it at an audience member that was heckling her. I'll never forget that," Gonick recalled with a laugh.

"And then somebody in the audience said, 'You're the queen of Winnipeg,' and she said, 'I'm not going to be the queen of Winnipeg until you rename it WinniPig,' and everybody went crazy, so we decided to name it in honour of that — that crazy, epic performance."

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Featured artists

- Aliza Amihude
- C. Graham Asmundson
- Paul Butler
- Paul Cherwick
- Sharron Zenith Corne
- Shawna Dempsey and Lorri Millan
- Dan Donaldson
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- Zachari Logan
- Guy Maddin
- Bonnie Marin
- Doug Melnyk
- Robert Pasternak
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- Jon Pylypchuk
- Paul Robles
- Slomotion
- Wayne Sommersell

Keyhole Experiment, a collage piece from 2007 by Paul Butler and Guy Maddin, is one of 75 artworks on display at the Antebellum Gallery in Hollywood. COURTESY NOAM GONICK

Beat the heat

Some spray pads open today

A sudden heat wave has prompted City of Winnipeg officials to open four spray pads early. The River Heights, Provencher Park, Fort Rouge and Lindenwoods spray pads will open today. A city spokeswoman said these spray pads were chosen because they do not require maintenance or staff, since the pads are automatically timed. Other spray pads may open before the official date of June 23. Winnipeggers are asked to check the City of Winnipeg website or call 311 for more information. METRO

Alcohol a factor

Young adult charged in fatal crash that killed his friend

A 20-year-old man is dead, and a friend has been charged in his death, after an accident in Riding Mountain National Park on Monday.

Parkland RCMP said a car being driven by a 17-year-old and carrying three passengers ran off the road on Highway 10 and rolled into the ditch.

A 20-year-old male passenger died at the scene. The others, including the driver, were taken to Dauphin hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

RCMP said alcohol, excessive speed and a failure to use seat belts were all factors.

Police have charged the 17-year-old driver with impaired driving causing death, two counts of impaired driving causing bodily harm, refusing a blood sample involving death, refusing a blood sample involving bodily harm, dangerous driving causing death and two counts of dangerous driving causing bodily harm.

He was also charged with drinking alcohol as a novice driver and consuming liquor under the age of majority.

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On the web

Mammoth find in Iowa backyard

An Iowa man made an unusual discovery in his backyard, piquing the interest of experts who study prehistoric life. Over the past two years, most of an entire woolly mammoth skeleton was unearthed on the man's property. Watch the excavation of a 14,000-year-old creature at metronews.ca.

Profile of a cannibal

The man who chewed a homeless man's face in Miami almost two weeks ago did not have a history of mental illness, was religious and occasionally smoked marijuana, his girlfriend says. Read more at metronews.ca.

Mobile news

A week after Mitt Romney's embarrassing 'Amercia' typo that gave endless fodder to Twitter users and late-night talk-show hosts, the conservative campaign has misspelled once again. Scan the code to read about the Romney campaign's latest boo-boo.

Police investigation. Probe into possible link between two sex assaults

Police are investigating whether two sexual assaults within hours of each other Monday may be related.

The first incident happened around 3:50 p.m. involving an unknown man and an 18-year-old woman walking near St. Mary's Road and Hull Avenue.

The suspect is described as Asian, roughly 25-30 years old, five foot two, wearing a beige long-sleeve shirt, a baseball hat, and carrying a backpack.

Then around 5:30 p.m. a 14-year-old girl was approached by an unknown male near the corner of Autumnwood Drive and Cottonwood Road.

The suspect in the second incident is described as Asian, around 30 years old, five foot seven with a skinny build, wearing a white baseball hat, white button-up long-sleeve shirt, jeans, white and blue running shoes, and carrying a white backpack with blue stripes along the top.

SHANE GIBSON/METRO

6 males arrested. Drugs, a weapon, and ammo seized in North End home

Two men entering a North End home armed with a firearm late Monday led to drug and weapon charges for a handful of suspects early Tuesday.

Uniform police and members of the Winnipeg Police Tactical Support Team were called to a home in the 600 block of Pritchard Avenue around 11:30 p.m. and as the incident unfolded police observed a firearm and drugs at the scene.

By shortly after 12 a.m. Tuesday search warrants for drugs and firearms were granted and executed by officers. Police seized a semi-automatic rifle, two loaded magazines, two weigh scales and around 300 ecstasy pills and six males in attendance were arrested.

Kyle Cory Scott Simmons, 19, and Kenneth Roger Thomas, 25, and three unnamed adult males, all of Winnipeg and a 14-year-old male youth are all facing numerous drug and weapons related charges.

SHANE GIBSON/METRO

Toronto-based variety entertainer John Park is one of 16 entertainers scheduled to wow the crowds under the purple stage lights at this year's Winnipeg International Children's Festival, which runs from Thursday to Sunday at The Forks. SHANE GIBSON/METRO

Gold standard at eating disorders conference

Keynote address.
Television star in Winnipeg to discuss personal struggles

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A two-day conference in Winnipeg is bringing together health professionals, youth workers and a television star to discuss how best to help those dealing with eating disorders.

The conference, entitled Setting the Table for Recovery: Providing Practical Tools for Understanding Eating Disorders, is being hosted by the Manitoba division of the Canadian Mental Health Association on Thursday evening and all-day Friday.

Delivering the keynote addresses are Tracey Gold, author and former teen star of Growing Pains, and singer/songwriter Jenni Schaefer.

"We are really trying to get the message across that recovery is possible," said conference chair Erin Dowling. "Hopefully participants will leave enlightened and foster environments that will promote wellness."

Dowling, who had her own struggles with disordered eating but has been in recovery for three years, said she's seeing younger and younger adolescents and children — both female and male — with weight preoccupation and body image issues.

This conference is meant to provide dentists, teachers, guidance counsellors, coaches and others information on how to spot someone suffering an eating disorder and information on groups ready and willing to help.

"There's a lot of work to do (but) I think we're on the right track," said Dowling, adding that she'd like to see the media and society promote "wellness and health at every size."

In a CNN interview from December, Gold spoke about her struggle with eating disorders, which at one point had her weighing 80 pounds and in hospital.

After hearing comments from the Growing Pains staff about her weight, Gold said she dropped 20 pounds and got positive feedback that led to a "diet that went out of control."

Quoted

"It escalated to the point that I got so sick that I had to leave the show."

Actress Tracey Gold lost 20 pounds while starring in Growing Pains, which led to positive feedback, then a "diet that went out of control"

Tracey Gold, author and former teen star of Growing Pains, is in Winnipeg for the CMHA's eating disorders conference. GETTY IMAGES

"It escalated to the point that I got so sick that I had to leave the show," said Gold, who hosts a reality show on the Lifetime network called Starving Secrets. "It was a long, long journey back to health."

Starving Secrets sees Gold helping women struggling with bulimia and anorexia.

"I became so public with my disease, I think it's helped me stay recovered and stay strong because I've been able to get strength from helping other people," added Gold.

Dowling said there are tickets available for Thursday's evening reception with Gold and Schaefer at the Viscount Gort Hotel from 7 to 9 p.m. Tickets are $35.

Visit manitoba.cmha.ca for more information.

For the kids. Winnipeg International Children's Festival kicks off Thursday

The Winnipeg International Children's Festival may be turning 30 this year, but that doesn't mean they've grown up and forgotten how to have fun.

"Now we've got kids that went back in the 80s are coming back with their own kids, and we've got artists like Al Simmons who are bringing their grandkids," laughed festival executive producer Neal Rempel, who's been involved with the event since the beginning. "We're starting to span the generational time warp."

The annual celebration of everything children — commonly called Kidsfest — is taking over the banks of the Red and Assiniboine Rivers at The Forks starting Thursday with another packed weekend of musicians, magicians, storytellers and activities for the young and young at heart.

"It's a ton of fun, a ton of great shows, a ton of laughs," said Rempel. "It's really cool how Winnipeg supports their festivals — I don't think you could do it like this anywhere else in the country."

Toronto-based entertainer, John Parks who goes by the name 'the Funny Waiter' when he's on stage spinning plates and juggling chickens, is one of 16 acts scheduled to perform at this year's festival. The variety performer confirms Winnipeg is well known for having some of the most enthusiastic audiences in the country.

"This is a prestigious festival to attend—it's well run and it's one of the premier summer festivals in Canada," said Park, who's making his third appearance at the Winnipeg International Children's Festival this year. "The crowds are great and the kids are always a blast to perform in front of."

The Winnipeg International Children's Festival runs until Sunday, and festival-goers are encouraged to help support the festival by donating $1 for every year the event has been around.

Tickets for the festival can be purchased at any Winnipeg Safeway location for $14 each or $48 for a family of four. Tickets at the gate sell for $16 each or $56 for a family pack of four. The festival is free for kids under two, and kids under 12 only need to pay once for the entire festival provided they keep their wristbands on. SHANE GIBSON/METRO

A lot of guests

The Winnipeg International Children' Festival sees between 15,000-20,000 visitors per year.

- For more information and to check out this year's lineup, go to kidsfest.ca.

Court

Former Winnipeg group home manager guilty of sex assault

A former Winnipeg group home manager has been found guilty of sexually assaulting one of his employees. Court heard Olayemi Fatunmbi climbed into bed with his victim, kissed her and groped her while she was working a night shift in July 2008.

Fatunmbi was found not guilty of sexually assaulting another employee. He testified during his trial that he had no interest in either woman.

The home was for people with mental and physical disabilities.

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Police

HIV diagnosis leads to sexual assault charges

Gimli RCMP have charged a Winnipeg woman after she allegedly passed the HIV virus to a man through sexual intercourse without first telling him she was infected.

An adult male contacted the Gimli RCMP Detachment in February after he fell ill and was told by doctors he'd contracted HIV.

After an investigation RCMP arrested Marjorie Deborah Schenkels, 25, on May 31 and charged her with aggravated sexual assault. Schenkels was released and will appear in Gimli Provincial Court June 25. METRO

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Notes prompt police to search for Magnotta connection to Vancouver

Dismemberment case. Investigators won't reveal content of messages found in body-parts packages, citing copycat fears

A Canada Post employee is seen delivering mail to St. George's School in Vancouver on Wednesday. The school received a package containing a human body part on Tuesday. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Police have revealed that body parts mailed to Vancouver schools were accompanied by notes — although they wouldn't elaborate on their content Wednesday.

Montreal police confirmed they had taken over an investigation into the packages mailed to British Columbia, thought to be linked to a dismemberment case that has attracted international attention.

Two hands, two feet and a torso have turned up in different cities over the last week. Montreal police said they are working to find the missing head.

The suspected killer, former porn actor and prostitute Luka Rocco Magnotta, is in a German prison awaiting extradition back to Canada.

Police said the packages sent to Vancouver were accompanied by messages, as were packages received in Ottawa last week.

"There are some notes from the beginning, from the first package that we found in Ottawa," said Montreal police Cmdr. Ian Lafreniere.

"What was written on the notes, we kept that for ourselves."

He said police would be selective about the information they released because they didn't want to encourage any copycats.

Meanwhile, the parts from a still-unidentified victim were being transported by Vancouver police back to the city from which they were mailed — Montreal.

Police were seeking to confirm the identity of the victim. They were also working to determine whether Magnotta had any personal connection to Vancouver.

"Our suspect travelled extensively," Lafreniere said. "We know he's travelled to the American West Coast. (We're now investigating), has he been to the Canadian West Coast?"

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Analysis

Parents torn over what to tell children

Parents in Vancouver are either sheltering their kids from knowledge that a human hand and foot were mailed to two local schools or telling them the truth about a twisted person's actions.

At False Creek Elementary School, Dave Brown said Wednesday he told his daughter the truth after a package containing a hand arrived at the school on Tuesday afternoon.

"She knows that somebody was killed and that the body was dismembered and part of it ended up here and that there are some people in this world that are not coping well with reality and doing some crazy, sick, twisted stuff like that," he said.

Brown said it was important for him to tell his daughter the truth, but it frightened her. "There was a moment, I think, at first, of fear and then there was sort of a dawning of acceptance. That didn't take very long, and then I think what followed was her basically saying, 'Wow, there's a lot of sick, twisted people in the world.'"

But Eva Perjes said she doesn't want her two kids — in Grades 2 and 3 — knowing anything about human remains showing up in a package at the school and hopes they don't find out about the incident from older kids.

"It's hard because I really want to shelter them from this news. Even for adults, I don't want to hear it," Perjes said. "I did talk to my neighbour, and my husband, obviously ... It's awful, awful. It's just the impact on kids and the innocence that's taken away, that someone ... I don't want to say it."

As she spoke, about a dozen students huddled around a girl in the school yard as she showed them the front page of a newspaper with a story about a hand being sent to their school and a foot that was mailed to a private school. Nearby, administrators handed out letters to parents on how they could help kids cope.

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Lin's devastated parents arrive in Montreal

While copious attention is being conferred on the so-called "Canadian Psycho," a Chinese mother is sobbing uncontrollably.

The parents of Jun Lin, killed and dismembered in a case that has attracted international attention, arrived in Montreal late Tuesday. A witness says Lin's mother struggled to stay on her feet and was so overcome with grief that she struggled to express herself.

The Lin family's arrival occurred under the media radar.

Quoted

He said he was only able to make out a short, single phrase: "We come to take you home now."

Yan Shi, head of Concordia University's Chinese student association, recounts words spoken by Jun Lin's mother

Little information is available about the victim, compared with the heaps of photos, videos and writings produced by the attention-seeking accused killer, Luka Rocco Magnotta.

Among the few people to have met Lin's family are officials at Concordia University, where he was an engineering student.

The head of the school's Chinese student association is among those who have met the family. He described the painful scene at the airport when they arrived Tuesday. "It's heartbreaking," said Yan Shi. "Lin's mother was very emotional. She was crying all the time. It's really terrible just being there. We didn't understand a word she was saying, she was crying a lot. She could barely walk. We had to help her."

He said he was only able to make out a short, single phrase: "We come to take you home now.'"

Lin's body parts have been found in Montreal and Ottawa, and now possibly Vancouver where an unidentified hand and foot were discovered in packages opened this week.

Chinese students have set up a fund to help defray the family's expenses while they're here, which is expected to be two or three weeks. They are also helping to show the family around Montreal. A Chinese community newspaper in Montreal says it has also received $550 in donations for Lin's family.

Concordia University says it is considering holding a memorial service for Lin, if his family wants one. "We're there to support the family," said Chris Mota, a university spokesperson. "If they want one, we can help them."

The family has met with police investigators. A police spokesman said that as regular Montrealers offered financial help, authorities would do their best to shield the family from any unwanted media attention. "You must understand that they have gone through a horrible episode," said police Cmdr. Ian Lafreniere.

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Suspicious mail

Packages with powder sent to Quebec targets

Suspicious packages containing white powder were sent to nine high-profile targets in Quebec, including the riding office of Premier Jean Charest. The contents of at least one of the packages have been identified as baking soda.

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Student protests

Fined Quebec MLA cites Gandhi as inspiration

A member of the Quebec legislature, arrested and fined at a student protest, says his actions are inspired by Mahatma Gandhi and Martin Luther King. Amir Khadir was ticketed $494 for blocking a road and violating a highway-safety code. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Taber twister

Police chief happy with response to Alberta tornado

The police chief of a southern Alberta community hit by a tornado Tuesday night says he's happy with the overall emergency response. Alf Rudd says there were plenty of people who pitched in to help out after the twister felled trees and power lines. No one was injured.

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Josh Beebee surveys tornado damage near Taber, Alta. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Air rage

Unruly passenger charged after flight diverted

An Ontario man faces charges after an international flight was diverted to Newfoundland Monday. Police say the unruly passenger tried to enter the cockpit and verbally abused the crew after they refused to continue serving him alcohol. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Tusk trade

Feds reverse decision on narwhal exports

Inuit hunters are celebrating the near-total reversal of a federal decision to block the export of narwhal tusks. Almost all the 17 Nunavut communities that were being refused export permits for the tusks will now be able to get them. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Israel approves construction of settler homes

A Hollow compromise. Palestinians enraged, settlers disappointed while United States voices displeasure

West Bank in crisis

Israel's prime minister accepted Wednesday's 69-62 vote despite widespread angst over the decision to transfer settlement buildings from Ulpana to Beit El.

- **Internal Resistance.** Settlers instead wanted the government to compensate Palestine for their unlawful occupation in Ulpana. They now vow to fight the decision.
- **Reaction.** Negotiator Saeb Erekat labelled the decision as a "grave development" while the U.S. State Department cautioned the move undermines the entire peace process.

Israel's prime minister on Wednesday ordered construction of 300 new homes in a West Bank settlement, a move aimed at placating settler anger over the planned demolition of an illegally built outpost nearby.

The decision infuriated the Palestinians, who have refused to conduct peace talks while Israel expands its settlements on occupied land. It also risked drawing an international backlash.

Netanyahu has been grappling with a domestic crisis over the unauthorized settlement outpost of Ulpana. The Supreme Court has ordered the five apartment buildings in the outpost to be removed by July 1 after determining they were built on private Palestinian land.

Netanyahu has said he would honour the ruling, while Jewish settlers and their hard-line allies in Netanyahu's government have vowed to resist the order. Netanyahu opposed the bill, saying it would likely be overturned by the Supreme Court and generate harsh international criticism.

In order to blunt settler anger, Netanyahu has come up with a novel solution: Instead of demolishing the buildings, he plans on removing them from their foundations and transferring them to the nearby settlement of Beit El. In addition, he said he would build 300 more homes in Beit El.

"Israel is a democracy that observes the law, and as prime minister I am obligated to preserve the law and preserve the settlements, and I say here that there is no contradiction between the two," Netanyahu said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Rockslide derails train service

An aerial view of the rockslide at the Gotthard rail tracks near Gurtnellen, Switzerland, on Wednesday. Switzerland's main passenger rail connection to Italy has been cut for at least a month because of the rockslide in the Alps that has left one man missing.

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Obituary

Sci-fi legend Ray Bradbury dies

Author Ray Bradbury at a 1997 book signing for Quicker Than the Eye.

STEVE CASTILLO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ray Bradbury, the science-fiction-fantasy master who transformed his childhood dreams and Cold War fears into telepathic Martians, lovesick sea monsters, and, in uncanny detail, the high-tech, book-burning future of Fahrenheit 451, died on Tuesday. He was 91.

His writings ranged from horror and mystery to humour and sympathetic stories. Bradbury also scripted John Huston's 1956 film version of Moby Dick, wrote for The Twilight Zone and other programs including Ray Bradbury Theater. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Egypt

Hosni Mubarak's health worsens

Hosni Mubarak's health sharply deteriorated Wednesday, days after he was sentenced to life in prison, and specialists were evaluating whether to transfer him to a better-equipped hospital outside the penal system, security officials said.

The deposed leader's health scare added to the uncertainty engulfing Egypt, where powerful political groups are seeking to bar Mubarak's former prime minister from the presidential runoff and derail the election.

Officials at Cairo's Torah prison said the 84-year-old Mubarak's condition had moved to a "dangerous" phase and that doctors administered oxygen five times to help him breathe.

Mubarak was the only patient being treated in the prison hospital's intensive-care unit, which recently underwent a $1-million U.S. renovation to prepare for his arrival. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Afghanistan horror

Suicide bombers turn a Kandahar market into a site of agony and death

Three suicide attackers blew themselves up in the largest city in southern Afghanistan Wednesday, turning a dusty marketplace into a gruesome scene of blood and bodies.

Twenty-two people were killed and at least 50 others wounded in the Kandahar bloodbath.

Taliban spokesperson Qari Yousef Ahmadi claimed responsibility for the attack in Kandahar, the spiritual birthplace of the insurgency.

Afghan President Hamid Karzai condemned the attack on innocent civilians.

He said it proved the "enemy is getting weaker because they are killing innocent people."

The explosion occurred about five kilometres from the main gate of the massive military installation run by the U.S.-led coalition and roughly 500 metres from an Afghan military base.

In the east, Afghan officials and residents said a pre-dawn NATO airstrike targeting militants killed civilians celebrating a wedding, including women and children. NATO said it was trying to capture a Taliban chief.

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Afghan girls study their lessons at the Aziz Afghan Secondary School in Kabul. RODRIGO ABD/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Girls targets in poison attacks

Taliban accused. They bribed students to lace school water with toxic powder, officials say

The Afghan government accused the Taliban Wednesday of poisoning schoolgirls.

Taliban members were accused of bribing students and workers to sneak toxic chemicals into drinking water or spread it around school grounds, sickening scores.

In two cases, female students were said to have been paid almost $1,000 to contaminate water tanks at their schools with toxic powder.

Fifteen suspects have been arrested, officials said.

Government officials said six schools were affected in northern Takhar province in the past three weeks.

The officials said one school alone had 125 cases.

President Hamid Karzai called for an investigation.

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Ugly war

The Taliban have long waged a war on women and girls.

- **BEFORE.** When the Taliban ruled Afghanistan, girls were banned from going to school.
- **AFTER.** After the 2001 ouster, Taliban members would spray schoolgirls' faces with acid.

Washington state. Gay marriage blocked by a giant list of signatures

Washington state's law allowing gay marriage was blocked from taking effect Wednesday as opponents filed more than 200,000 signatures seeking a public vote on the issue in November.

Preserve Marriage Washington turned in the signatures just a day before the state was to begin allowing same-sex marriages.

"The current definition of marriage works and has worked," said Joseph Backholm, the chair of Preserve Marriage Washington.

The law, passed by the legislature and signed by Gov. Chris Gregoire earlier this year, would make Washington the seventh U.S. state to have legal same-sex marriages.

State officials will review the signatures to determine whether they are enough to qualify for a public vote, though the numbers suggest the measure will make the ballot easily.

No, no, no

200,000

The number of signatures filed by opponents of gay marriage in Washington state on Wednesday.

National groups have already promised to fight the law, including the National Organization for Marriage, which was involved in ballot measures that overturned same-sex marriage in California and Maine.

Washington state has had domestic partnership laws since 2007, and in 2009, passed an "everything but marriage" expansion of that law, which was ultimately upheld by voters after a referendum challenge.

Gay marriage is legal in New York, Connecticut, Iowa, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont and Washington, D.C.

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Nigeria. Doomed plane was checked; this was no 'suicide mission'

Investigators climb over the tail of the airliner that crashed in Lagos, Nigeria, on Sunday. JON GAMBRELL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A Nigerian airline whose airplane crashed defended itself Wednesday against growing public criticism.

Dana Air said its chief engineer died on the flight — which killed 153 on board and more on the ground.

The chief engineer "certainly would not have allowed that aircraft to take off" if there was a problem, said executive Francis Ogboro. "No airline crew would go on a suicide mission."

The plane underwent strenuous checks like the others the carrier owns and that he routinely flies, Ogboro added.

The MD-83 crashed in Iju-Ishaga, a neighbourhood about nine kilometres from Murtala Muhammed International Airport in Lagos.

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U.S. defense secretary defends drone attacks

U.S. Defense Secretary Leon Panetta inspects Indian troops during a welcoming ceremony in New Delhi, India, Wednesday. JIM WATSON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

India. Leon Panetta discusses volatile relationship with Pakistan, remains firm on U.S. military tactics

Just two days after a drone strike killed al-Qaida's second-in-command, Defense Secretary Leon Panetta made it clear Wednesday that such attacks will continue as long as the U.S. needs to defend itself against terrorists that threaten America.

Speaking in India — on Pakistan's doorstep — Panetta unapologetically dismissed suggestions that the strikes could violate Pakistan's sovereignty.

"This is about our sovereignty as well," he said when answering questions from the audience after a speech at an Indian think-tank.

And he was blunt about the difficulties in the U.S. relationship with Pakistan, as insurgents continue to find safe haven there, despite repeated protests from American leaders.

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"This is about our sovereignty, as well."

Leon Panetta, U.S. defense secretary

"It's a complicated relationship, often times frustrating, often times difficult," Panetta said. "They have provided some co-operation. There are other times when frankly that co-operation is not there. But the United States cannot just walk away from that relationship. We have to continue to do what we can to ... find some mutual co-operation."

Panetta's message is likely to reverberate in Pakistan, particularly since it was delivered in India — their long-standing arch rival.

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Assad regime. China and Russia united on Syrian sanctions debate

The Obama administration is warning Syria that U.N. sanctions may be near, as Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton heads Wednesday to Turkey to talk strategy with America's allies and look for a way to win Russia's support for a transition plan ending the Assad regime.

Russia and China, however, who have blocked such sanctions before, issued a joint statement reiterating their opposition to any imposing of "regime change" in the violence-wracked country, where some 13,000 people have died in more than a year of uprisings against President Bashar Assad's leadership, and a brutal government crackdown on the opposition.

The U.S. warning was delivered by Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner, who called for the world to exert "maximum financial pressure" on Assad's government. He argued that, "Strong sanctions can help hasten the day the Assad regime relinquishes power," but acknowledged that financial and diplomatic penalties alone cannot bring the needed political change.

Russian President Vladimir Putin with Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

In remarks Geithner planned to deliver to a Friends of Syria group, he said that unless Syria demonstrates "meaningful compliance" with U.N. efforts to end the violence, the U.S. and other countries will "soon join in taking appropriate actions against the Syrian regime, including, if necessary, Chapter 7 action in the U.N. Security Council."

A Chapter 7 resolution authorizes actions that can ultimately include the use of military force.

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Favour for a favour

Walters helped Assad aide

Journalist Barbara Walters has apologized for trying to help a former aide to Syrian President Bashar Assad land a job in the U.S. after the woman, Sheherazad Jaafari, helped Walters set up an interview with Assad.

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Barbara Walters THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Libya

Bomb explodes next to U.S. Consulate

Attackers set off a bomb next to a wall of the U.S. Consulate in the eastern Libyan city of Benghazi Wednesday, the State Department said.

The blast underlined the unstable security situation in Libya, more than seven months after the death of deposed dictator Moammar Gadhafi.

It came two weeks before the country is scheduled to hold its first post-Gadhafi national elections. The State Department said that there were no injuries.

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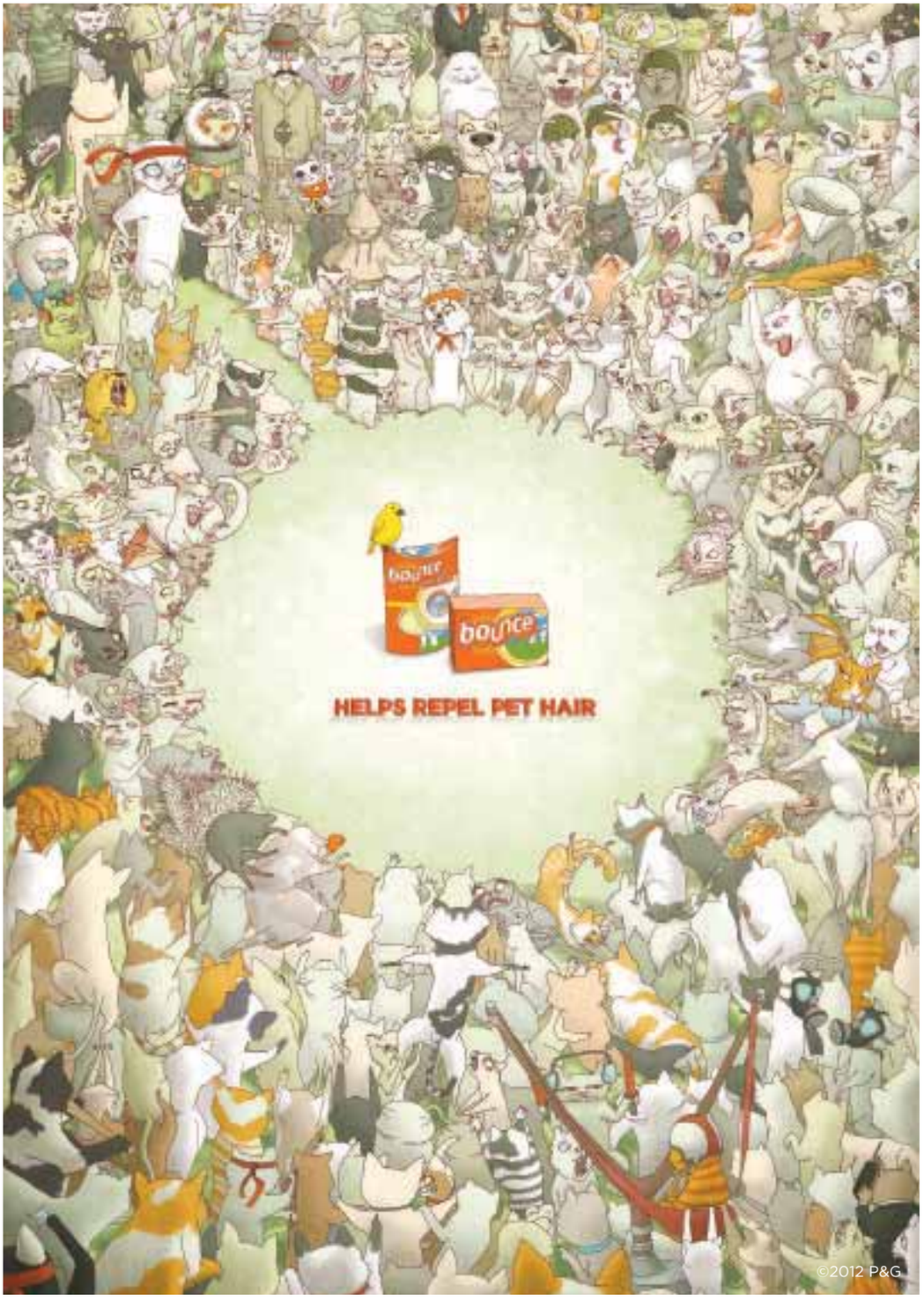

Apple iPhone drawing new rival: Report

Mobile wars. Windows Phone smartphones to surpass Apple iPhones by 2016, report suggests

A new eyebrow-raising report suggests an underdog in the mobile-phone wars is just a few years away from overtaking Apple as the second-largest smartphone seller in the world.

Sadly for Research in Motion, it's not the BlackBerry being heralded as a giant killer but Microsoft's Windows Phone platform, which research firm IDC says will surpass Apple's iPhones by 2016.

As of this year, Google's Android platform has the global lead with 61 per cent of the smartphone market, followed by Apple with 20.5 per cent, RIM at six per cent and Windows at 5.2 per cent, according to IDC.

By 2016, IDC sees Android at 52.9 per cent, Windows Phone at 19.2 per cent, Apple at 19 per cent and RIM down just a tenth of a percentage point to 5.9 per cent.

The report was encouraging news for Chris Weber, Nokia's president of the North American market, who was in Toronto on Wednesday for the Canadian Telecom Summit.

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Lumia

Windows Phone's fortunes will largely be tied to the success of Nokia, which recently launched a line of competitively priced and well-reviewed smartphones under the Lumia brand.

- The higher-end Lumia 900 sells for about $30 on a three-year contract compared to the starting price of $160 for the iPhone 4S.

Peter Munk, right , founder and chairman of Barrick Gold, shares a joke with the company's president and CEO Aaron Regent during their AGM in Toronto on May 2. The company announced Wednesday it replaced Regent and installed a former U.S. investment banker as co-chairman of its board of directors. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Barrick Gold replaces CEO

Barrick Gold Corp. has abruptly replaced its chief executive and installed a former U.S. investment banker as co-chairman of its board of directors, saying they will help the company restore its lacklustre stock price.

Jamie Sokalsky, who was the Toronto-based company's chief financial officer, has replaced Aaron Regent as Barrick's chief executive and president — effective immediately.

At the board of directors, John Thornton — a former president of Goldman Sachs, the U.S. investment banking giant — will join Barrick founder Peter Munk as co-chairman.

Munk, 84, who is one of Canada's best-known businessman, issued a statement thanking Regent for his efforts but making it clear they weren't enough.

Barrick stock closed Tuesday at $43.70, down sharply from its 52-week high of $55.36. While the price of gold has declined from record highs, many analysts have said shares of gold companies including Barrick underperformed the metal.

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Survey. Canadians fall deeper in debt

A new bank study suggests the average Canadian household is more than $100,000 in debt and that Canadians have ramped up borrowing in the past five years.

The first annual BMO survey on household debt found that average household debt among Canadians surveyed stands at $112,329, including mortgage, credit card, line of credit and loan debt.

But the bank says so-called good debt like mortgages outweighs less favourable forms of borrowing. While 25 per cent of those surveyed say they are debt-free, 41 per cent say that they have taken on more debt in the past five years as a result of increased spending.

And 54 per cent of respondents said they expect to be debt-free in the next five years.

The survey also found that 70 per cent of Canadians believe they can afford to pay down debt by paying more than the minimum, but one-third appear to be stretched with paying only the minimum amounts.

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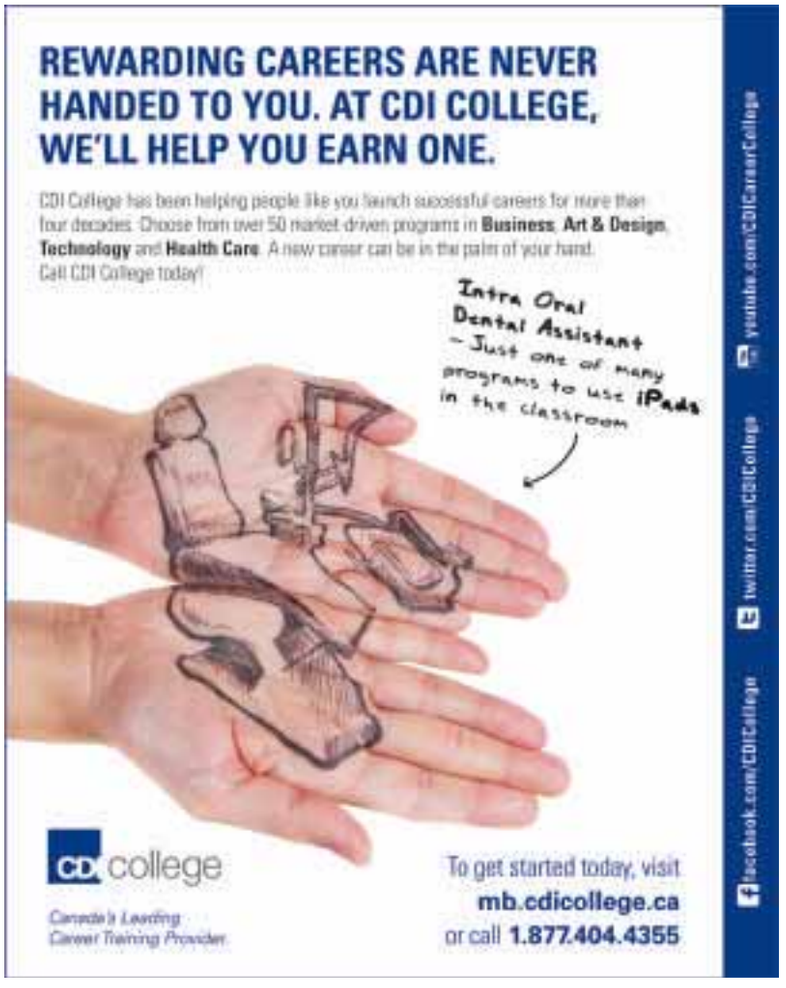
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Investigation

Reports suggest six million LinkedIn passwords stolen

Business social network LinkedIn said it is investigating reports that more than six million passwords have been stolen and leaked onto the Internet.

Although LinkedIn did not confirm if any user data had been hacked or leaked, researchers at U.K. Web security company Sophos say they have confirmed that a file posted online does contain, in part, LinkedIn passwords "hashes." That's a way of encrypting or storing passwords in a different form.

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CHANNELING TV'S FUTURE

HE SAYS...
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NEWS ITEM: Canadian television will expand by at least two stations this fall, further growing this country's vast TV universe and highlighting the importance of specialty stations. Here's a look at some of the proposed new channels that will soon be on Canadian airwaves:

NHLPA Classic: Just in time for this summer's expected labour dispute, National Hockey League Players' Association Classic brings you the greatest highlights from the 1994-95 and 2004-2005 work stoppages! Relive the greatest compromises and toughest stonewalling! See Goodenow and Bettman one-on-one! See classic meetings like the nine-hour February 9, 2005, spectacular! See highlight shows like Bettman's Top 10 attempts at a smile! "NHLPA Classic: Because it's the Cash."

Fox News Canada: Made by Canadians against Canadians, Fox News Canada provides a fair and balanced look at the pot-smoking, war-avoiding, gay-embracing atheists that make Canada the moral cesspool it is today. Not to be confused with Sun TV, which is patriotic and cheap, Fox News Canada will spend top dollar to let you know that your country sucks. Shows will include The O'Leary and O'Leary Exchange and NDP: Ties to Terror?

Canadian Beauties Corporation: Featuring the best in Canadian exotic dancers from Tracadie to Red Deer, CBC will be equipped with a special "Panic Button" that immediately changes the screen to what appears to be an episode of Mass for Shut-ins.

CanCon

"Gord!, or PBS (Pinsent Broadcasting Station), will have a 100 per cent commitment to the most Canadian of names."

Gord!: According to strict CanCon guidelines, Canadian television is already 65 per cent Gordon-related, but Gord!, or PBS (Pinsent Broadcasting Station), will have a 100 per cent commitment to the most Canadian of names. Gordon Pinsent, Gord Downie, Gordon Sinclair, Gordie Howe, they're all here! Even Gord Stellick! Programming includes And Howe!, Pinsent-a-Go-Go and Star Trek: Gord.

OLN — Obese Loafers Network: Responding to this country's changing attitudes toward fitness, the Obese Loafers Network will appeal to the average Canadian's inner couch potato, which in most cases is hidden under many, many layers of outer couch potato. Home to best-in-class events like the Halifax Lounge-A-Thon and the Boston Pizza-eating Marathon, OLN will be the leader in inaction television.

CPAC Extreme: CPAC Extreme, or CPAC!, is just like normal CPAC, but with crazy angles, kickin' hosts, and the lady in the sign-language bubble is hot, hot, HOT!!! It's your No. 1 destination for parliamentary videos, live performances and more Hansard than you can handle! Go online to get your "hear, hear" ringtone!

And that's where the future of Canadian television lies.

So switch on, tune in, and stand proud, Canada. You're a beautiful country that always seems like it might self-destruct at any moment. You were made for television.

Already on board with Gord: Gordon Pinsent, centre, poses with Blue Rodeo's Greg Keelor, left, and Travis Good of the Sadies in April. The trio collaborated on an album based on poems written by Pinsent. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Riding tall on Cuban wheels

FRANKLIN REYES/FILE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Upcycling

Bike maker shifts into high gear

Felix Guirola waves to people as he takes his self-made 3.45-metre-tall bicycle for a spin through downtown Havana, Cuba, on May 18.

Guirola has been riding tall since 1983, when seeing a tandem bike inspired him to build up instead of out.

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Climbing aides

Felix Guirola climbs up his tall bike as people help steady it as he prepares to take it for a ride.

- Guirola said his first tall bike measured 1.6 metres high.
- The bikes got progressively taller until five years later he was riding more than three times as high in the air at Ciego de Avila carnivals.

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The height in metres of the Cuban's tallest handmade bike.

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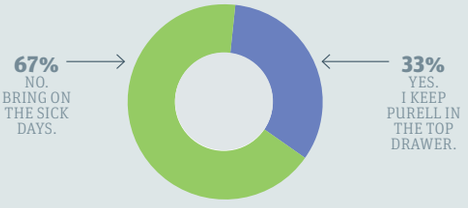

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Just back from watching kids at organizational gong-show known as the MB Junior High Championships at UofM. Congrats to kids! #Winnipeg

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i like when Jamie tells me that his coworkers are jealous of the lunch I made for him — all those single mfs Lol

@juanito69508j
I sure hope that when the city sourced it's new recycler/garbage bins, they measured the DIY home depot fence gates. That'swhat I've got

@miccaliciousss
Drinking in the darkness off my apartment..so bloody hotout I can't stand it

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Scene in brief

Bynes charged with DUI

Los Angeles prosecutors have charged actress Amanda Bynes with driving under the influence roughly two months after authorities say she grazed a sheriff's patrol car in an early morning accident. The 26-year-old will be arraigned Wednesday morning in Beverly Hills but doesn't have to attend the hearing. Instead, she can have a lawyer enter a plea. Bynes was arrested April 6 after authorities say she scraped a patrol car making a turn. The misdemeanour complaint filed Tuesday alleges she refused to take a test at the time that could've determined whether she was drunk or under the influence of drugs. Because of her refusal, authorities may suspend her driver's license for a year. Her publicist, Melissa Raubvogel, didn't immediately return an email. Bynes appeared in the Nickelodeon series What I Like About You and the film Easy A.

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On the web

Michelle Obama appears on Letterman for a garden-pegged Top 10 list

Flo to West End Cultural Centre to hear Pieces of Me

R&B. Singer/songwriter collaborates with 'jack of all trades' on sophomore album

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Flo releases her sophomore album, Pieces of Me, this Saturday. BRITTANY ALYSE MARCHENSKI

Show details:

- Flo releases Pieces of Me this Saturday at the West End Cultural Centre.
- Tickets are $15 at the WECC, Music Trader, The Winnipeg Folk Festival Music Store and Ticketmaster or $20 at the door. Showtime is 8 p.m.

Flo works well with others. The Winnipeg R&B singer shows this on her sophomore album, Pieces of Me, which was a collaborative effort.

The predominant partnership on the new record is between Flo and producer Arun Chaturvedi, who was named producer of the year at the 2011 Western Canadian Music Awards. Chaturvedi co-wrote all but two songs on Pieces of Me.

"The obvious reason behind that is because Arun is a ridiculously talented songwriter," Flo says, whose full name is Flo Oramasionwu.

"He's a jack of all trades in the music industry. He's an impeccable musician who can play so many instruments; he's a great producer and he's got quite the knack for song writing.

"He always has the right, touching, amazing lyric. You'll be struggling for a word and he'll come up with it."

Chaturvedi isn't Flo's only colleague in creativity. Winnipeg musicians Natasha Kaminsky and Heather Longstaffe provide their song-writing skills on several songs, while bassist Julian Bradford, guitarist Ariel Posen, rapper Ismaila Alfa and beat makers Omar Zulfi and Shea Malcolmson also contribute.

But perhaps the most interesting collaboration is the Winnipeg Youth Chorus, which appears on the anti-bullying track, Hateless.

"They're like Winnipeg's version of the Mickey Mouse Club. They audition these kids," Flo says. "I would have been happy with just kid's voices, even if they weren't the most musical kids, but this is beyond that. These kids are the Beyoncés and Adeles of the future."

There's a ton of teamwork on Pieces of Me, but there's no doubt that this is Flo's album. Take the song Butterfly. With its caterpillar/cocoon imagery and this-is-your-moment message, it's definitely about an emerging artist.

"It's so encouraging when people say 'Congratulations Flo,' but because I'm a little bit of a perfectionist, I feel like I've just taken baby steps towards my goal," Flo says.

"Still, I've made steps forward. I feel like I'm just starting to get out of that cocoon. In any endeavour, realizing your dreams is a risk and it can be scary but you have to shed that cocoon and just fly."

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Allure of Cronenberg's intimidating, poetic script is what drew Pattinson in

Cosmopolis. British star explains what it was like playing billionaire Eric Packer, a role he's won praise for

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When David Cronenberg wrote the Cosmopolis script he transcribed much of the dialogue directly from Don DeLillo's densely written novel. Those pages of complicated, lyrical conversation attracted the film's star, Robert Pattinson.

"I liked the poetry of this script when I first read it," he said. "My only idea was that it was really different to anything I had ever done and I thought I couldn't do it. That stuck to me afterwards and I thought that should be the way to choose projects, or which projects to go after — the ones you don't understand, or the ones you are scared of. That generally means you'll end up being better afterwards."

The script was so finely tuned that barely a word was changed during the shoot. The 26-year-old Twilight star says he is used to script changes on other movies, but a modification to a line about a gun on the Cosmopolis set jarred his pacing.

"I remember the line was about the attachment above the trigger guard," he says. "But there was no attachment above the trigger guard (on the prop gun). I was so used to the rhythms of everything and suddenly it changed the rhythm of the entire scene. We were doing page-and-a-half long sequences and it was so in my head that to suddenly change it on the day threw me."

He's been winning praise for his strange, otherworldly performance as billionaire money manager Eric Packer, but don't suggest he delved deep into his own psyche to create the man we see on screen.

Robert Pattinson says playing Eric Packer was really different from anything he'd done in the past. HANDOUT

He says the perception is that actors have "to be psychoanalysts," but that's just from the '50s. Before that actors only thought about their face, and their voice and their movement.

"I think that's one of the things I have come away from this movie with, in terms of acting in general. You don't need to analyze things that much. You don't need to understand it."

It's a complicated film, bursting with ideas and one very much open to interpretation and debate, but Pattinson would prefer to leave the psychological heavy lifting to the audience. "I'm not a post modernist scholar," he says. Instead he remembers what drew him to the project in the first place — the dialogue.

"I like saying it," he says. "When I see clips I want to say the lines again. It's like eating."

What it's like to play the New Girl's (sometimes) guy

Q & A. New Girl's Jake Johnson gives us the low down on playing Nick next to Zooey Deschanel

HEIDI PATALANO
Metro World News in New York

A year ago, most people didn't know who Jake Johnson was. Today, men are stopping him in the street to say, "'What the f— k's your problem, dude? That's Zooey Deschanel, dude,'" as Johnson himself tells it. Since getting his big break on the Citytv sitcom New Girl, the 33-year-old has been routinely harassed for his character's wussy behaviour when it comes to his roommate and perennial lust-object Jess (Deschanel). The will-they, won't-they quality of the relationship has drawn so much attention that #NicKandJess became a trending topic on Twitter as the show approached its first season finale.

As Johnson sat down with us to promote his upcoming film Safety Not Guaranteed, co-starring Aubrey Plaza and Mark Duplass, he took some time to analyze the greatest twee-affair of our time.

Metro: So, New Girl. You yell a lot on the show.
Johnson: What I like about playing him is that I don't fully understand him. I know who Jess is. I know who Schmidt is. I'm starting to figure out who Winston is, but I don't know who Nick is and I think it's because — to get all deep and ridiculous — I don't think Nick has any idea who he is. He's wading through the madness of "f— man, I am 30 years old and I have not figured it out and I'm not getting any closer." There's panic and that sucks, so he yells.

What do you know about next season?
Nothing. I don't think they know. I think the reality of our show is that a lot of it exists in between (series creator) Liz Meriwether's ears and she doesn't know yet.

But your character and Zooey Deschanel's seemed to get closer at the end of the season.
For my storyline, I think there was a Nick-Jess thing and then they went really far away from it. But I think that was Liz. I think she didn't want it for a while. She thought at the beginning, that it was turning too Nick-Jess. And she was like, "I don't want this to be a relationship show." But then I think she went in her own mental evolution of it, I think she was like, "well, I want those characters to be together a little bit more." And so at the end of the season, they got really back together. People say, "Oh, I know exactly where the show's going. It's going to be this by season four." But I talk to Liz on a regular basis. We're friends. She doesn't have all the answers.

Where do you want to see those characters go?
I had times with Nick where I was like, "Eh, I don't like this guy." I know what he does. I enjoy playing him, but like, stop crying. Stop being so nasty. And that was the beginning of "this dude is way weirder than I imagined." And I like weird people, so I was like, "OK, OK, you're going to get weirdsies aren't you pal?"

Zooey Deschanel and Jake Johnson star in the sitcom New Girl. HANDOUT

Do you think Jess and Nick could work as a couple?
They don't get along great, so in my opinion, they're more of a Sam and Diane from Cheers where everything about Sam and Diane, they were opposites. Nick is a realist going towards pessimism, not infatuated with the world, does not think sparkles cure everything, does not sing and dance through life. And Jess is, and they're both a little bit too far in one direction.

Well thanks for theorizing with us. Can't wait to see the next season!
It's still really new enough for me that it's interesting for me too, on my end and I don't feel ownership of it, so I wouldn't be having this talk if I was the writer, where I'd be like "I'm so interesting, how I'm doing this." I'm just a fan like everyone else.

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

John Mayer is finally humiliated

With a new album coming out, John Mayer had been trying to play nice in the media — but he's got his foot back in his smug little mouth again after an interview with Rolling Stone in which he whines about ex-girlfriend Taylor Swift's song about their split, Dear John.

He calls the hit "humiliating," taking issue with the then 20-year-old's "cheap songwriting." "It's abusing your talent to rub your hands together and go, 'Wait till he gets a load of this!' That's bulls—."

Dude: Either un-write Your Body is a Wonderland, or stop talking right now.

Lady Gaga

Elton John wants Gaga to eat more

Elton John is worried about Lady Gaga.

"She is frail, and she doesn't eat when she should, and she's a girl, and it's tougher for a girl," John tells the Guardian in an interview.

"She works really hard. She will be in Denmark one night and Saudi Arabia the next. I know how tiny she is and I do worry about her, yes."

And John, who tapped Gaga to be the godmother to his 1-year-old son, isn't the only one concerned, he says: "I look at Gaga and I think, 'How does she do it?' I talk to her mom and dad about it. They worry."

The Word

Why did Miley Cyrus want a ring on it?

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Although she's been rocking a sizable diamond on her left hand all spring, yesterday Miley Cyrus confirmed that she's engaged to actor Liam Hemsworth.

"I'm happy to share this news with you all. I feel like all my dreams are coming true," the 19-year-old tweeted yesterday.

The news comes after Cyrus took a break from recording and acting to spend time with Hemsworth, 22, and do uncomfortable interviews about their sex life.

Now, why would a 19-year-old who is not pregnant or struggling with rent money get married?

Good question.

At first, we were worried good old-fashioned love still existed and had been listening this whole time, but it's not quite that simple.

You see, these two met on the set of The Last Song, a 2010 drama based on a novel by Nicholas Sparks — the same Nicholas Sparks who penned the most graphic of emotional girl porn, The Notebook.

At least she fell in rapid zombie love with a cute Australian actor and not the creepy guy sweeping up popcorn.

Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Summer wedding for Brangelina?

Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie are going to have a summer wedding, according to E! News.

"Word on the street is that Brad and Angie will make it official late this summer," Ryan Seacrest announced on his radio show, quoting E! News correspondent Ken Baker. Speculation still puts the location of the famous couple's nuptials at their estate in the South of France.

McCarthy's son still misses Jim Carrey

Jenny McCarthy says the hardest part of her split from Jim Carrey has been how attached her autistic son, Evan, had gotten to the actor.

"I've tried to ask (Jim) numerous times (to see Evan), because my son still asks," McCarthy tells Howard Stern in an interview.

"I tell (Evan) that someday you'll cross paths, meet again, (but) it's hard. He's been in therapy. It's a process, he's working on it."

But McCarthy, who lets Evan watch Carrey's films, still thinks breaking up with Carrey was a good idea: "Jim's a dark guy," she says.

Jenny McCarthy

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Fashion Flash

Anchorage, Alaska wins Worst Dressed title

Anchorage residents are apparently not dressing to impress. That's the upshot of Travel and Leisure Magazine's reader poll, which put the residents of Alaska's largest city at the bottom when it comes to being on the top of style. The magazine ran an online poll asking readers to rank 35 American cities on such things as best nightlife, best burgers, best New Year's Eve celebrations, etc. By a three-tenths of a point, Anchorage landed just below Salt Lake City for having the worst-dressed residents. "I think it's a little ridiculous, to be honest," said Hillary Walker, the assistant manager at lulu e. bebe fashion boutique in Anchorage. "I think dressing well is about feeling comfortable, experimenting, expressing yourself through your clothing. I think people in Anchorage do a great job with that."

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On the Web

Mary-Kate and Ashley Olsen named best womenswear fashion designers

California-based designer Trina Turk PROVIDED

Banana peels off layers, slips into summer

Republic of Turk.
Fashion's princess of poolside helps brighten up brand

HEATHER BUCHAN
Metro News

Her bold use of colours, graphic patterns and classic silhouettes are favoured by the likes of Hollywood starlets Kristen Bell and Leighton Meester. And this summer the rest of us can add a coveted Trina Turk piece or two to our wardrobes without breaking the bank, thanks to a partnership between the California designer and Banana Republic.

The result is a limited-edition summer capsule collection, made up of nearly 60 pieces (think flirty dresses and printed tunics) embodies the laid back yet chic southern California resort esthetic captured in Turk's design philosophy.

Here, the fashion doyenne shares some sage summer fashion advice:

What colours should women incorporate into their wardrobe to stay on trend this summer?
Summer is an opportunity to lighten up and wear colour. I'm definitely expecting to see orange and turquoise as two of the top colours. I also love the combination black and white prints mixed with bright coloured tops or bottoms.

What should women who are self-conscious about baring their arms and legs wear during warm weather?
Bringing in a fun printed maxi dress or lightweight blouse in bright colours or a graphic print allows you to celebrate the ease and sophistication of summer with pieces most flattering to your silhouette. The three-quarter sleeve Wren blouse in the Pisces print and the black and white zazzy zebra printed tunic top are done in lightweight fabrics that work well in the heat of summer.

Do you follow any fashion rules? If so, can you share a few?
The most important fashion rule is to figure out the silhouettes that flatter your body type and stick with them. Some trends will be great for you, others not. You don't have to jump on every trend bandwagon that comes along.

If someone could only buy two items from your capsule collection which ones would you recommend and why?
You definitely want to get at least one dress and one accessory piece. There are six great dresses in a variety of styles, prints and colours. If I had to pick one it would be the one-shoulder "Chai" dress that we did in the blue Coachella print.

My favourite accessory of this collection is the enamel bangle that comes in several great colour combinations.

Sunny silhouettes

"I love mixing drapey fabrication with more tailored pieces."
Designer Trina Turk

Top 3

Trina Turk's Summer Essentials

She loves the versatility of a bold printed dress, a bright tailored pair of shorts and breezy blouses.

"They can take you from poolside to cocktail parties to city soirees throughout the summer months," says Turk.

Beauty and the beach

Wide Bangle
$55, bananarepublic.ca

Flower pendant
$62, bananarepublic.ca

Tote
$175, bananarepublic.ca

Canadian supermodel Coco Rocha lounges in a piece from Banana Republic by Trina Turk. PROVIDED

The Kit

Canadian street style

Spotted in: Ottawa

Joel Bedford
Photographer
Age: 34

What he's wearing:
ASOS sunglasses, Gap chambray shirt, Obey black jeans

His inspiration:
"I really like Ryan Gosling's style, so I guess my style is a bit inspired by that. This morning, I woke up late, that's my inspiration behind this outfit: panic."

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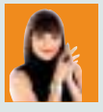

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@Jeanne_Beker: The Royals certainly turned up the style volume for the Jubilee festivities this week. Do YOU find the royal family inspiring?

@EmaSuvajacPhoto
I'm all about Kate! She's gorgeous and stylish but not over the top

@Bradinator
No, I find the royals to be an expensive reminders of a bankrupt political system.

@CrashleyW
Yes I do!

@nicolettebreeze
Of course! I love the history and tradition tied to the Windsors.

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yes they live such a dream to me

@Jeanne_Beker: Greeted by Harriet the Hare at the home of David Rollins, host of Wark worth's Mad Hatter luncheon.

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The colour you choose for your front door can tell people a lot about you. Best purple: Wine Country Frost OR-473, Benjamin Moore. ORIGINSPAINT.CA

Painted personalities

Decor ideas. Ever wonder what message the colour of your front door sends?

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Colour is a powerful way to send messages, whether on the clothing we wear, the furnishings and decor we choose or the colour we paint our front door. Since that entranceway is the welcome entry into our homes, choosing the right colour is a way to welcome company and to tell people a little bit about ourselves.

With that in mind, here's a few trending colours, what they say about you and where you should live if you like a particular colour.

Red
Gives a punch that says you have energy, passion and presence. A great colour to ward off potential break-ins, but not so great in a quiet, gated community.

Orange
You are not extravagant and rather frugal. You are an attention seeker but a very warm and exciting person. Great for a community/neighbourhood counsellor or leader.

Black
Likely, you are serious, traditional and strong; someone with substance lives inside your house. But black can also mean mourning, old and death. It's the perfect colour for downtown or stately living.

Green
You are a promoter of good health and good luck, but green can also mean jealousy. Great for young families as it also indicates fertility and stress-free living. Good colour for a farm or country house.

Brown
You like isolation and privacy when you're home. It also indicates you are reliable. Brown is a great colour for living in a high-density townhouse or a condo.

Yellow
You are cautious and careful. But yellow can also stir anger and frustration as it fatigues the eye due to the amount of light it reflects. It's great for family homes with young school children.

Purple
You are the emotional type. Wealth, wisdom, exotic and artificial are other words that describe the colour purple. Good for an older person.

Blue
You are secure, safe and trustworthy. Blue can evoke sadness and aloofness and is the colour of weight loss. Good colour for a single person looking for a mate.

DRAWING FROM THE COLOUR PALETTE FROM ORIGINS BY BENJAMIN MOORE (ORIGINSPAINT.CA), HERE'S A FEW OF THE BEST COLOURS TO PAINT THE FRONT DOOR:

Best red: Rich Burgundy OR-186

Best green: Velvet Moss OR-338

Best blue: Blue Hibiscus OR-413

Open to change

How to pick the perfect front-door colour

Look at the body of your house and its colour overall. Is it ruddy-brown, orange-brick, beige or grey? Your front door should be an opposite colour in order to stand out and look special. For instance, if your house is an orange-brown brick then choose a green colour for your front door. The brighter or duller the brick colour the brighter or duller the green will be.

Three things to consider:

1. The garage door, siding or window trims are never painted the same colour as the front door.
2. Painting the frame trim around the door the same colour will help give the door a larger presence.
3. Painting the inside of your front door the same as the outside will add a punch of style to your foyer.

Roughing it

Doing dishes at the cottage

CHARLES THE BUTLER
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Dear Charles the butler,
With the summer months now here, my family and I will be spending most weekends up at our cottage. One thing that always comes up is the dishes; specifically, how I can wash them with our limited hot water supply and a very small kitchen!
Signed,
Bob (weekend dish warrior)

Hello Bob,
Let's keep things simple, because ultimately, you're at the cottage to relax.
1. Fill a plastic tub with hot water and a good dose of dish soap and put it on the counter.
2. As dishes are used at the dinner table, scrap off the excess food and put the dish into the hot, soapy water. Let them sit for at least 15 to 20 minutes, or at least until the end of the meal.
3. With a clean dishcloth, wash the dishes and rinse them under cool, clean water in the sink, then put them on a rubberized drying rack so you don't chip or scratch the dishes.
4. Alternatively, you can have a helper wipe the dishes dry with a clean dry dishtowel.

This method works no mater where you are this summer, whether you're at the cottage, boating, at a trailer or a campsite.

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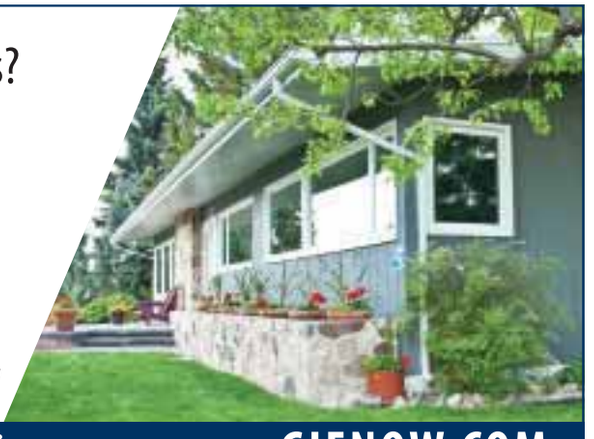

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Add some Mexican-flavoured gobble gobble to your tacos

This recipe serves four. THE CANADIAN PRESS H.O

A classic Mexican spice mix of cumin, oregano and chili is combined in a paste and used to coat the turkey before it goes on the grill. Topped with a crunchy, tangy slaw, these tacos taste like the kind you would find in taquerias.

1. In a resealable bag, combine cumin, oregano, chili powder, salt, olive oil and cilantro, rubbing to make a paste. Add turkey fillets and shake to thoroughly coat turkey. Let sit for 30 minutes or up to 1 day.

2. In another bag, combine red onion, carrots, jalapenos, vinegar, sugar and salt. Let sit at room temperature for 30 minutes, tossing occasionally.

3. Grill turkey over medium-high heat until browned and cooked through, about 5 minutes per side. Transfer to cutting board and let rest for 5 minutes before slicing.

4. Toss carrot mixture with cabbage. Divide turkey and cabbage among warmed grilled tortillas. Garnish with cilantro and avocado and serve with lime wedges and coarse salt.

Ingredients

- 5 ml (1 tsp) each ground cumin, oregano and chili powder
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) sea salt
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) olive oil
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) freshly chopped cilantro
- 500 g (1 lb) boneless skinless turkey fillets
- 1/2 small red onion, sliced
- 2 carrots, peeled and thinly sliced
- 2 jalapenos, sliced (ribs and seeds removed)
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) cider vinegar
- 5 ml (1 tsp) sugar
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) salt
- 500 ml (2 cups) shredded cabbage
- 8 flour tortillas (15 cm/6 inches diameter)
- Garnishes: cilantro sprigs, lime wedges, avocado slices

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Chicken Barley Risotto. This delicious dish is ready in mere minutes

1. In a large skillet over medium-high heat, cook bacon until very crispy. Remove bacon and set aside.

2. Add chicken and mushrooms. Cook and stir until browned, about 5 minutes. Stir in bacon, soup, beef broth, tomatoes and barley and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low and simmer until barley is tender, stirring occasionally, about 30 minutes. CAMPBELL'S/ THE CANADIAN PRESS

Ingredients

- 4 slices bacon, cut into small pieces
- 375 g (3/4 lb) boneless skinless chicken breasts, cut into chunks
- 12 mushrooms, quartered
- 1 can (284 ml/10 oz) low-fat cream of celery soup
- 425 ml (1 3/4 cups) low-salt beef broth
- 2 medium tomatoes, diced
- 250 ml (1 cup) pot barley

Turkey, Asparagus & Shiitake Sauté. Zesty eats

Skinless, boneless turkey breast with fresh asparagus and shiitake mushrooms are sautéed in a zesty garlic chili and ginger root-infused broth for a fragrant, flavourful meal.

Serve this dish over steamed jasmine rice or your favourite noodles to sop up all the juices.

1. In a bowl, combine turkey with baking soda, cornstarch and soy sauce. Stir to ensure all the turkey is coated. Let sit for 10 minutes.

2. In large non-stick skillet, heat oil over medium-high heat and brown turkey pieces. Transfer to plate. Stir the garlic chili sauce into the same skillet until fragrant, about 30 seconds. Stir in ginger for 30 seconds. Add onion and cook until softened, 3 mins. Add mushrooms, stirring often, until golden and lightly softened, about 2 minutes.

3. Pour in broth, scraping any brown bits from pan. Add asparagus, turkey with any accumulated juices and hoisin; stir to combine. Cover, reduce heat to simmer and cook for 3 minutes or until turkey is no longer pink inside, asparagus is tender crisp and the sauce has slightly thickened.

Ingredients

- 500 g (1 lb) boneless, skinless turkey breast,in strips
- 5 ml (1 tsp) each baking soda and cornstarch
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) soy sauce
- 10 ml (2 tsp) vegetable oil
- 10 ml (2 tsp) garlic chili sauce
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) grated ginger
- 1 onion, sliced
- 500 ml (2 cups) sliced shiitake mushroom caps
- 250 ml (1 cup) turkey broth
- 500 ml (2 cups) asparagus
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) hoisin sauce

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Hockey

"(Vladimir) was such a dependable and steadfast man that I would have gone anywhere with him — to war, to espionage, into peril. There are fewer and fewer guys like him in every generation of hockey players."

Russian Hockey Federation president and former Soviet goaltender Vladislav Tretiak speaking about Vladimir Krutov to the Sport-Express newspaper. Krutov, one of the Soviet Union's all-time great players and part of the national team's formidable KLM Line, has died at 52. The federation said Krutov died Wednesday. It did not give a cause of death, but the ITAR-Tass news agency said he had been taken to a hospital several days earlier for stomach bleeding.

Mobile news

Brian McNamee, Roger Clemens' former strength coach, testified in Clemens' perjury trial last month that because of his wife's nagging, he brought medical waste from a steroids injection of Clemens home in 2001. But Eileen McNamee testified Wednesday that her estranged husband said he was saving things for his "protection." Scan the code for the story.

New Jersey's Patrik Elias scores Game 4's first goal on Wednesday in Los Angeles. MARK J. TERRILL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Devils refuse to bow out of final without a fight

NHL. New Jersey pushes back to avoid sweep and spoil Los Angeles' Stanley Cup party at Staples Center

Game 4

Devils	Kings
3	1

Put the coronation on hold.

The Los Angeles Kings will have to wait at least three more days for another shot at becoming true hockey royalty after Adam Henrique kept New Jersey alive in the Stanley Cup final. His late goal secured a 3-1 victory for the Devils in Game 4 on Wednesday.

The New Jersey rookie, who scored in overtime to end the Eastern Conference final, showed poise in kicking the puck up to his stick before beating Jonathan Quick high at 15:29 of the third period.

That forced cup keepers Phil Pritchard and Craig Campbell to put the trophy back in its case. Game 5 of the final goes Saturday at Prudential Center in Newark, N.J.

Until the late winner, this series had the feel of a sweep. Fans came ready to celebrate what would have been the first championship for the Kings in their 45-year history and there was every reason to believe they'd deliver after methodically storming through the playoffs.

New Jersey's Patrik Elias and the Kings' Drew Doughty traded third-period goals in an entertaining game before Henrique bagged the winner. Ilya Kovalchuk scored into an empty net.

The sellout crowd at Staples Center was again ready for the occasion, sending up a spine-tingling cheer as "It's Cup Time!" was splashed on the scoreboard before the puck dropped.

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By the numbers

43

The resilient Devils wouldn't be denied in Game 4 and kept alive a streak of 43 straight playoff series in which the franchise has never been swept.

NHL

Roy OK with Habs coaching decision

Patrick Roy says there are no hard feelings about being passed over for the Montreal Canadiens coaching job.

Sounding a gracious note Wednesday, the goaltending legend said he wished the best to the team and to Michel Therrien, who was named the Habs' new coach Tuesday.

Roy said in Quebec City that he appreciated having been interviewed for the job.

"I'm taking nothing but positives out of this thing," said the former Montreal and Colorado star and current QMJHL coach and executive.

"I'm not bitter at all."

The Canadiens fired assistant coaches Randy Cunneyworth and Randy Ladouceur on Wednesday.

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Patrick Roy in Quebec City on Wednesday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

NHL

GM Tambellini sticking around in Edmonton

The Edmonton Oilers and general manager Steve Tambellini have agreed on a contract extension.

Tambellini has been GM of the team since 2008.

He's currently looking for a new head coach. Tom Renney's contract wasn't renewed after the season.

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Sharapova loving life at French Open

Maria Sharapova celebrates her victory at Roland Garros on Wednesday. MATTHEW STOCKMAN/GETTY IMAGES

Whether she's enjoying a café lunch, shopping on the Champs-Elysées or notching another victory on the soft red clay, Maria Sharapova sure enjoys these trips to the French Open.

"What girl doesn't love Paris?" she said.

Two more wins and she'll love it even more.

Sharapova moved another step closer to filling in the last piece of the career Grand Slam, defeating Kaia Kanepi 6-2, 6-3 on Wednesday to reach the semifinals at Roland Garros.

The second-seeded Sharapova rolled through her 23rd-seeded opponent in 74 minutes.

"I'm happy with the way I improved in this match," Sharapova said.

Her next opponent will be No. 4 seed Petra Kvitova, the Wimbledon champion who ended 142nd-ranked Yaroslava Shvedova's upset-filled run with a 3-6, 6-2, 6-4 victory. Sharapova leads their all-time series 3-2. Kvitova beat Sharapova in last year's Wimbledon final, while Sharapova won the most recent match earlier this year.

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French Open Wednesday

Sixth-seeded David Ferrer beat No. 4 Andy Murray 6-4, 6-7 (3), 6-3, 6-2 to reach the French Open semifinals for the first time.

- Ferrer will face six-time French Open champion Rafael Nadal in an all-Spanish semifinal Friday.
- Novak Djokovic and Roger Federer meet in the other men's semifinal.

Euro 2012 players told to 'go out and entertain us'

Spain's Juan Mata kicks the ball alongside his teammates during a training session Wednesday in Gniewino, Poland. ALVARO BARRIENTOS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Soccer. UEFA president hopes scrutiny can finally shift from host nations to the matches on field

Now, finally, UEFA President Michel Platini wants the players to take centre stage when the European Championship kicks off on Friday.

Soccer has almost been ignored during a turbulent five years for Poland and Ukraine as they sought to vindicate UEFA's decision to take its showpiece 16-nation tournament to eastern Europe.

Now the former France great, who captained and coached his country, wants the teams to seize the headlines.

"I say to the players, 'Go out and entertain us,'" Platini said on Wednesday. He spoke at the National Stadium in Warsaw — one of many rebuilding projects delivered behind schedule — where Poland will open Euro 2012 against 2004 champion Greece.

"What I would like now after (five) years of work, is to be able to calmly watch the games, to give the ball over to the players and let them get on with it," said Platini, who lifted the trophy in 1984.

The potential story lines are rich and deep for arguably the best international tournament.

Can World Cup winner Spain become the first nation to successfully defend its European title, and further define an era of Barcelona-inspired greatness?

Will a still young Germany team overcome the Spain-shaped obstacle which keeps blocking its title runs?

Can the Netherlands rediscover its 'Total Football' roots and reconnect with neutral fans dismayed by its negative, aggressive tactics that marred the 2010 World Cup final loss to Spain.

Platini echoes the popular wisdom that two favourites stand above the rest.

"These are Germany and Spain if they play at 100 per cent of their level," Platini told reporters. "If they don't, there are a lot of teams which can beat them." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Racism response

- Platini promised that referees will stop European Championship matches if players suffer abuse from fans, as questions on racism in Poland and Ukraine dominated a news conference Wednesday to launch the tournament.
- Platini said UEFA has empowered referees to "temporarily stop the game and finally cancel the game if this racism keeps rearing its head."

For more Euro 2012 coverage, go to metronews.ca/features.

World Cup

Canada enters historically tough qualifying phase

As one of the veterans of Canada's men's soccer team, Dwayne De Rosario would obviously love to play in a World Cup before he calls it a career.

The 34-year-old from Toronto spoke of not letting an opportunity slip away two days before Canada opens its next phase of qualifying at Cuba.

"You never know when it will be your last chance," De Rosario said at BMO Field on Wednesday.

The 77th-ranked Canadians play No. 145 Cuba in Havana on Friday. Canada failed to survive this stage for the 2010 cup after picking up just two of nine possible points at home and losing all three games on the road. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Dwayne De Rosario
TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

NBA. James faces familiar scenario with his season on the line in Boston

LeBron James appreciates the irony.

Matching up against the Boston Celtics, on the road, with the season on the line. He faced it in 2008 and lost. He faced it in 2010 and lost, removing his Cleveland Cavaliers jersey for the final time as he left the floor that night.

And now in a championship-or-bust season for the Miami Heat, James heads back to Boston for another win-or-else game.

"It is fitting," James said.

The Celtics lead the Heat 3-2 in the Eastern Conference finals, and on Thursday night will look to clinch a third trip in five years to the NBA finals. If they succeed in Game 6 — or Game 7, if it comes to that — all three of those most recent Boston trips to the title round would come at James' expense.

His first five games at Boston resulted in three wins. His 19 games there since have also resulted in three wins.

No team, maybe no other building, has befuddled James as much as the Celtics and the arena they call home. One more loss on Thursday, and his ninth season will end as the last eight did — without a championship. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Quoted

"I know how much pain this team has given me over the years."

Lebron James on the Boston Celtics.

Bosh ready for more?

Chris Bosh returned for Game 5 on Tuesday after missing nine playoff games with an abdominal strain. He had nine points and seven rebounds in 14-plus minutes but was not on the floor down the stretch when the Celtics came back to win 94-90.

- "I think he'll be able to handle a bigger load of minutes," Heat coach Erik Spoelstra said of Game 6.

Paul Pierce, centre, fires up his Celtics teammates before Game 4 against Miami on Sunday. JARED WICKERHAM/GETTY IMAGES FILE

NHL

Ex-Red Wing McCarty, wife get protection orders against four former friends

Court records show retired NHL player Darren McCarty and his wife got personal protection orders against four former friends in suburban Detroit.

The Detroit News reported Wednesday that the veteran of 15 NHL seasons who won four Stanley Cups with the Red Wings claims harassment by the three women and one man. McCarty and his wife, Sheryl, say in court papers the four tried to draw McCarty back into a partying lifestyle.

McCarty told the newspaper he wants to be left alone. He says harassment has included death threats. The orders were granted last month in an Oakland County court. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Darren McCarty with the Wings in 2008. GETTY IMAGES

Crossword

Across

1 Cushiony
5 "See ya!"
8 Staffer
12 "The Cosby Show" son
13 "A mouse!"
14 "American —"
15 BB gun
17 Stagger
18 "— voyage!"
19 Wire measure
20 Practices boxing
21 Suitable
22 Greet the villain
23 Lisa Marie's dad
26 Scrap
30 "Cheers" offering
31 Embrace
32 Cattle
33 Overwhelmed with wonder
35 Macho type
36 Eg. and Syr., once
37 Lustrous black
38 Parsley piece
41 Each
42 Obtain
45 Owl's call
46 Cager's attempts that aren't even close
48 Actress Jessica
49 Squid squirt
50 Arizona city
51 No stay-at-home
52 Do brickwork
53 Juror, in theory

Down

1 Impale
2 Columbus' home
3 Flowerless plant
4 Anderson's "High —"
5 Suit
6 Holler
7 Supplement, with "out"
8 Localized downdraft
9 Notion
10 Busy one
11 Right angles
16 Satan's minions
20 Brillo rival
21 Imaginary tool
22 Ginormous
23 Recede
24 Actor McKern
25 Be a couch potato
26 Flop
27 Intention
28 Genetics abbr.
29 Lair
31 Yon maiden
34 Trail the pack
35 KFC additive
37 Moving in fits and starts
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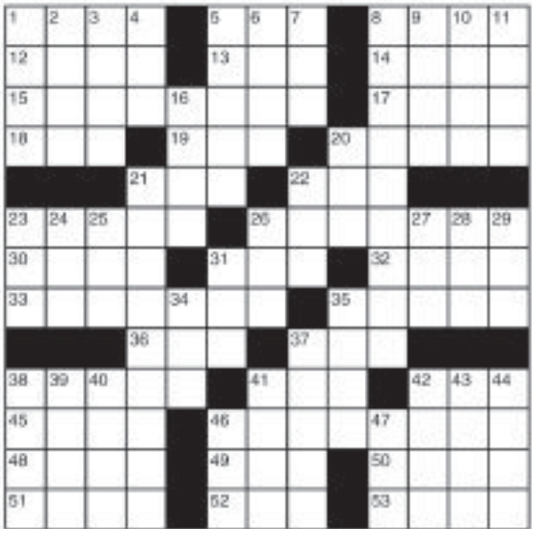

Sudoku

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	1			9		6		

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's Sudoku

4	6	2	1	3	5	7	8	9
7	3	1	8	9	2	4	6	5
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6	4	8	5	1	9	2	3	7
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Yesterday's Crossword

Cryptoquip

How to play

This is a substitution cipher where one letter stands for another. Eg: If X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle.

CUBV L CXHJ ROFXVM XW LGROF FR RQQOE, QROHJ NRO WLN FULF CROHJ GB L DBVJXVM WDEBB?

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IF A GUY IS RESTING HIS BARE FEET ON A BARROOM SEAT, YOU MIGHT FIND YOURSELF A TOED STOOL.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: F equals T

For today's crossword answers and for expanded horoscopes, go to metronews.ca

Weather

TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
MAX: 29° MIN: 17°	MAX: 20° MIN: 18°	MAX: 27° MIN: 14°

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WEATHER SPECIALIST

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Horoscope

♈ Aries | March 21 - April 20. If you think too much about the past today, you must refocus your thoughts on all the good things you still have to look forward to.

♉ Taurus | April 21 - May 21. You want to be free, you want to be able to come and go as you please, and you have every right to do so. Do only what makes you feel good.

♊ Gemini | May 22 - June 20. No matter how difficult a task may look, the planets suggest that if you give it your best shot, you will make a success of it. Don't doubt yourself.

♋ Cancer | June 21 - July 22. Stop and don't start moving again until you know what you are aiming for. It should be easier now that Mercury, planet of the mind, is moving into your sign.

♌ Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22. You will meet someone today who, if you impress them enough, can help you realize your dreams. The only problem is the nagging doubt that you might not be up to the task.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22. If you were hoping that other people would share in your positive attitude today, you may be disappointed.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22. You don't have to give up on your beliefs and ideals but you do have to realize that other people sometimes see things differently to you.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21. Go your own way, do your own thing and ignore the avalanche of disapproval that is sure to come your way. Most likely they are jealous of your ability to come and go as you please.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21. Jupiter, planet of luck, is smiling on you now. You have to smile back if you want good things to happen.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan 20. The only thing that might hold you back today is a nagging feeling that in some areas you are not up to competing with the movers and shakers you are rubbing shoulders with. Nonsense!

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb 18. If you need to make changes to your routine then now is the time to get serious about it.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20. You enjoy an occasional change of scene, so make the most of good aspects to the travel area of your chart to get out and about more.

SALLY BROMPTON

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Moses

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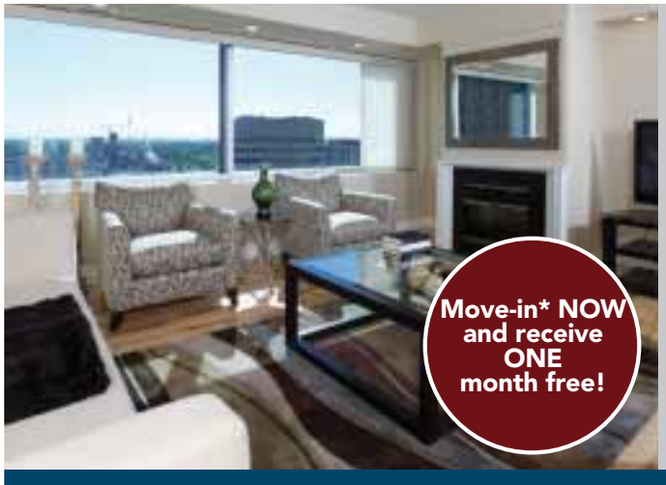

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